

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Pending Wage Liability under MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has huge liability of unpaid labour wages and other costs under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), and if so, the State-wise details of liabilities and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the number of State-wise details of MGNREGS labourers, who have not been paid their wages in FY 2015-16 and the details of labourers whose wages of FY 2015-16 are due for more than one month;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to release funds against its liability over and above its budget estimate for MGNREGS in FY 2016-17, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the details of effective budget estimate for rural job creation through MGNREGS in FY 2016-17?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a): State/UT-wise details of pending wage liabilities and Material under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) during the last financial year is given in Annexure-I. The delay in payment of wages are due to following reasons: -

â€¢ Shortage of funds in the end of the financial year 2015-16.

â€¢ Delays occurring in transfer of funds from State Consolidated Fund to State Employment Guarantee Fund (SEGF) / Implementing Agencies.

â€¢ Implementation issues in the States which include delays in measurement, inadequate staff, poor spread of banking infrastructure, etc.

(b): The delays in wages are monitored in terms of transactions. As per the Programme Management Information System (MIS), details of percentage of Delayed Payment to MGNREGA workers for Financial Year 2015-16 is given at Annexure-II.

(c)&(d): Ministry has released Rs. 2941277.389 lakh (as on 01.08.2016) to the States/UTs during Financial Year 2016-17 to clear the pending liabilities (wage & material component) for the FY 2015-16 and implementation of the MGNREGA for the FY 2016-17. States/UTs-wise release position is at Annexure-III.
